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SUBJECT: EXTRADITION -- PHANG AH SEONG

1. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS AND DEPARTMENT CONCURS THAT NOTE WITH FOLLOWING INFO BE PRESENTED TO APPROPRIATE GOS OFFICIALS, SO AS TO EMPHASIZE USG POSITION THAT EXTRADITION IN THIS CASE WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO TRIAL IN SINGAPORE.

2. PLEASE PROVIDE NOTE TO APPROPRIATE GOS OFFICIALS AND INCLUDE FOLLOWING SUBSTANCE:

"IN CONNECTION WITH THIS GOVERNMENT'S APPLICATION FOR THE EXTRADITION OF PHANG AH SEONG IT IS OUR STRONG BELIEF THAT CURRENT WORLD WIDE EFFORTS STEMMING THE ELICIT HEROIN TRAFFIC WOULD BE GREATLY ENHANCED BY THE WARNING THAT WOULD BECOME EVIDENT IF PHANG AH SEONG WERE BROUGHT TO THE UNITED STATES TO STAND TRIAL ON THE CHARGES CURRENTLY OUTSTANDING AGAINST HIM. SOME OF THE ACCOMPLICES OF PHANG AH SEONG ARE ALREADY IN CUSTODY, INCLUDING THE ACTUAL SMUGLER AND DISTRIBUTOR IN THIS COUNTRY, AND A JOINT TRIAL WHICH WOULD DESCRIBE IN DETAIL THE ENTIRE OPERATION, SOURCE TO DISTRIBUTOR TO

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THE CUSTOMER, OF A RING DEALING IN LARGE AMOUNTS OF

HEROIN, WOULD FURTHER BOTH OUR COUNTRY'S JOINT INTEREST

IN NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT. WE APPRECIATE THE COOPERATION
YOU HAVE DISPLAYED, EVIDENCED BY THE PROVISIONAL ARREST OF
PHANG AH SEONG PURSUANT TO OUR EXTRADITION REQUEST. THIS
GOVERNMENT IS AWARE AND ACKNOWLEDGES THE VITAL ROLE PLAYED
BY SINGAPORE IN NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT, AND WE BELIEVE
THE COOPERATION YOU HAVE SHOWN WILL BE AN EXAMPLE TO ALL
COUNTRIES OF THE JOINT EFFORTS THAT ARE NECESSARY TO DEAL
WITH THIS PROBLEM EFFECTIVELY." KISSINGER

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